

Remarks

Friend does not anticipate claims 1-14 and 16-40. Friend does not disclose or motivate at least the limitation “...wherein mass inside said housing is distributed towards the primary handgrip” recited in claims 1, 8, 14, 22, 26, and 34. Therefore, Friend cannot properly anticipate the claimed invention since according to MPEP 2131 “A claim is anticipated only if each and every element as set forth in the claim is found, either expressly or inherently described, in a single prior art reference.” *Verdegaal Bros. v. Union Oil Co. of California*, 814 F.2d 628, 631, 2 USPQ2d 1051, 1053 (Fed. Cir. 1987).

In fact, Friend teaches away from the claimed invention. At line 22-24 of column 3, Friend states “the ergonomics of the unit are not disrupted by placement of a large mass at the end of the terminal.” Therefore, Friend’s terminal is completely different than the display device of the present invention which is claimed to have the mass distributed towards the primary handgrip, thus reducing the strain on the user’s hand and wrist.

As per claim 15, the addition of Bertram does not remedy the deficiency found in Friend. Bertram teaches a method whereby misentry of data on a soft keyboard is avoided on a computer. Bertram does not teach or motivate the limitation “...wherein mass inside said housing is distributed towards the primary handgrip.”

The prior art made of record Silva et al. (U.S. 5,404,267), Kochis et al. (U.S. 5,568,357), Schmeisset et al. (U.S. D451,097), and Sallam et al. (EP 1022644 A1) adds little to the record; therefore, a discussion of each reference at this time is not warranted.

For at least these reasons, the Examiner is respectfully requested to withdraw these grounds of rejection. The Applicant believes the present claims are in condition for allowance and reconsideration, and an early Notice of Allowability is sought.

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